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Recreational Red Snapper Season Opens April 21

BILOXI, Miss. – Recreational fishing season for red snapper (*Lutjanus campechanus*) opens in Mississippi territorial waters on April 21, 2006, at 12:01 a.m. This coincides with the opening of red snapper season in federal waters.

Mississippi State Regulations for Red Snapper are:

- 16-inch minimum size
- four fish possession

The opening of the recreational red snapper season is issued under the authority of Section 49-15-15 (1) (a) of the Mississippi Code of 1972.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.state.ms.us.

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